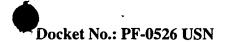
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement and Request for Election dated **December 2, 2002**, setting a **one (1) month** term for response. Prior to examination of the application, please amend the specification of the above-identified application as listed below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel pending claims 1-20 without prejudice. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Please add the following new claims 21-40 as follows:

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